



Happy New Year from UBC Botanical Garden

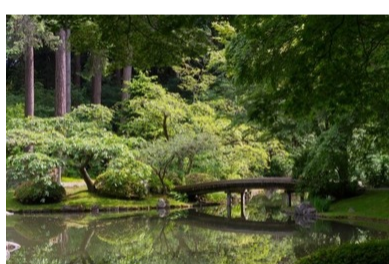


Rhododendron glaucophyllum by Beryl Zhuang

January in the Garden

Rhododendrons in January? Yes, but the discussion might not be what you think. These are plants known primarily for their flowers, a feature well worth considering, particularly during their normal bloom period. January, on the other hand, is a tricky time for flowers. A few plants reliably produce flowers around the New Year, as long as temperatures remain mild. These include wintersweet, Bodnant viburnum, a few camellias, witch hazels, garryas, and Asian mahonias, as well as a few bulbous plants (and these are all worth visiting the Garden to see), but there are precious few rhododendrons that deign to produce flowers at this time. Only *R. rirei* comes to mind, and its flowering is easily frustrated by freezing temperatures.

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Nitobe Memorial Garden Closure

Due to high winds creating safety concerns and significant damage, Nitobe Memorial Garden is closed until January 7.

[Check website for updates](#)



Hours of Operation

Shop in the Garden reopens on January 8. The Shop will be open 10am - 4:30pm from Monday to Saturday in January and February.

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Christmas Tree Recycling

Until January 8, Recycle your Christmas tree at UBC Botanical Garden. Proceeds support the school garden at Thunderbird Elementary. 10am - 4:30pm daily.

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